**Statement**

*Physical progress on Teesta Barrage as on end of June 1991*

| Sl.No | Work | Progress in percentage |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Teesta, Mahananda and Dauk barrages | 100 |
| 2 | Teesta Mahananda Link Canal | |
| | (a) Earth work and lining | 100 |
| | (b) Distribution system | Variable. |
| 3 | Mahananda Main Canal | |
| | (a) Earth work | 100 |
| | (b) Lining | 90 |
| | (c) Distribution system | Variable. |
| 4 | Dauk Nagar Main Canal | |
| | (a) Earth work | 50 |
| | (b) Lining | 50 |
| | (c) Distribution system | Variable. |
| 5 | Nagar-Tangon Main Canal | Not started. |
| 6 | Teesta Jaldhaka Main Canal | |
| | (a) Earth work | 5 |
| | (b) Lining | |

**Waiting list for telephone connections**

181. SHRI DEBABRATA BISWAS: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons registered under the OYT and N-OYT scheme in Calcutta, Bombay, Delhi and Madras as on the 1st October, 1991, Echange-wise; and

(b) the number of persons to be provided with telephones during 1991, 1992 and 1993 in above areas?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Statement is laid on the Table of the House as Annexure. (See Appendix CLXI, Annexure No. 2).

(b) As per the draft eighth Plan, it is proposed to provide telephone connections in these areas with the objective to contain the waiting period to maximum of two years by the end of the Eighth Plan.

Plan for provision of new telephone connections during 1991-92 is:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Calcutta | — | 22450 |
| Bombay | — | 46244 |
| Delhi | — | 70169 |
| Madras | — | 8811 |

These targets are fixed every year at the beginning of the financial year. Accordingly, the detailed targets for 1992-93 have not yet been fixed.

**Modernisation of telephone exchanges in West Bengal**

182. SHRI DEBABRATA BISWAS: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the modernisation of Telephone Ex-